

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Senate Bill 340		Senate Amendment 1
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Senate Bill 340 amends the current law that allows members or retired members of the National Guard to obtain special National Guard plates for their vehicles. Under the bill, if an applicant for initial issuance of these plates identifies himself or herself in the application as a member or former member of the 32nd Infantry Brigade, the 57th Field Artillery Brigade, Joint Forces Headquarters, the 115th Fighter Wing, or the 128th Refueling Wing, the Department of Transportation (DOT) is required to affix to one of those plates a decal that includes a symbol associated with that unit. In addition, the bill provides that upon receiving an application for renewal of such a plate, if the applicant identifies himself or herself in the application as a member or former member of one of those units, DOT is required to provide a decal with instructions for placement on the plates. However, if DOT is required to issue new plates for the vehicle at the time of renewal under current law, DOT is required to affix the decal.

Senate Amendment 1 provides that in all of the situations described in the bill, DOT is required to provide the decal to the applicant with instructions for placement of the decal on the special plate. In addition, the amendment increases the DOT's appropriation by \$15,800 for the fiscal year in which the bill takes effect.

Legislative History

The Senate Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs, Biotechnology and Financial Institutions recommended adoption of Senate Amendment 1, and passage of the bill as amended, both by votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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